THE LITTLE PILGRIM

"We will go up by the King's highway."

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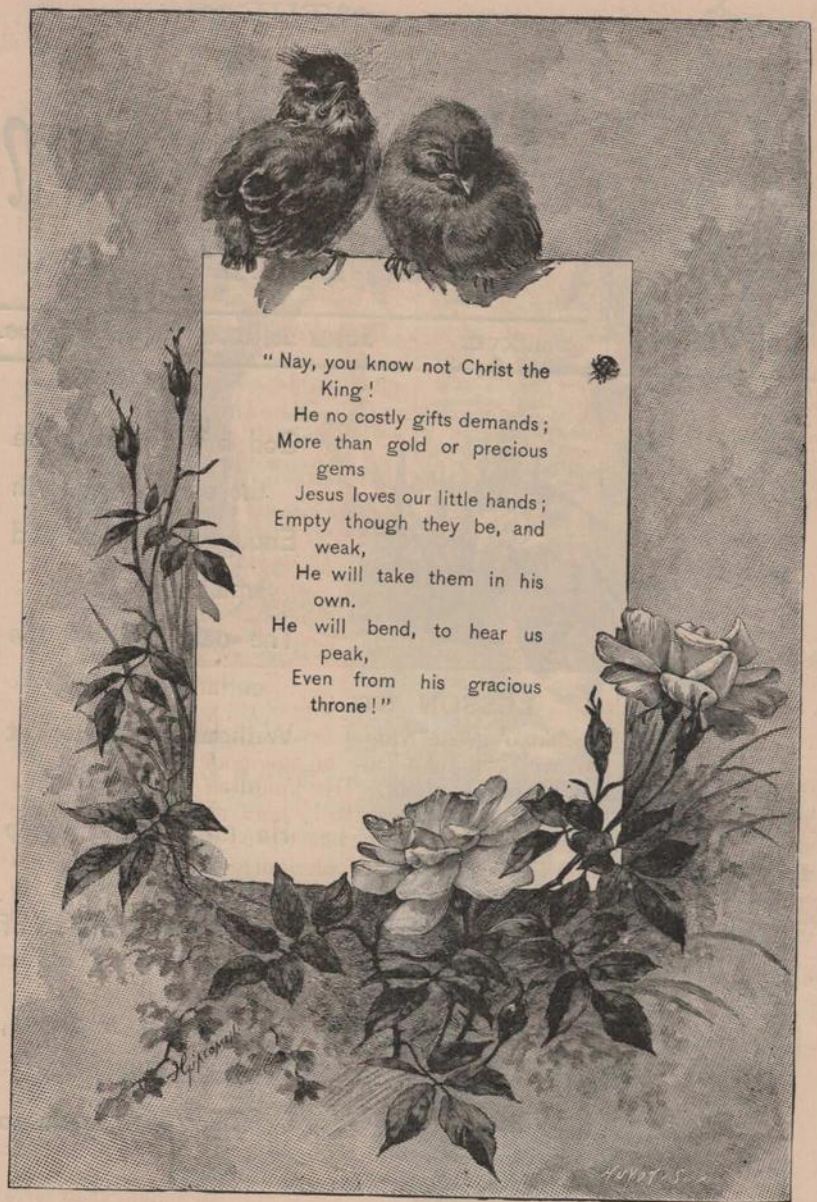
God might have bade
the earth bring forth
Enough for great and
small,
The oak tree and the
cedar tree,
Without a flower at
all.
He might have made
enough, enough
For every want of
ours:
For luxury, medicine,
and toil,
And yet have made no
flowers.


" Nay, you know not Christ the
King !
He no costly gifts demands ;
More than gold or precious
gems
Jesus loves our little hands ;
Empty though they be, and
weak,
He will take them in his
own.
He will bend, to hear us
peak,
Even from his gracious
throne ! "

LESSON STORY.

THIS psalm tells what a great King Christ will be. He will be a kind, good King too, who will take care of the poor and not let the wicked have a chance to trouble them. His kingdom is going to take in the whole world, and there is never to be any end to it. All the other kingdoms in the world pass away, but Christ's will last forever. Do you want to belong to this wonderful kingdom? Do you know what gifts he wants you to bring to him? Just your own little hearts! He will come and live in them and be king there, and, so far, Christ will have come into his kingdom.

THE KING OF KINGS.

BEFORE him, bowed in worship,
Were wise men from afar,
Who carried gifts of gold and myrrh,
Led thither by a star.
And side by side the shepherds
Knelt down to pray with them.
The child was Saviour of the world—
Jesus of Bethlehem!

— *Clara Doty Bates.*

GOLDEN TEXT.—All kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.—Psalm 72: 11.

BIBLE LESSON.

Messiah's Reign.

1. Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.
2. He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.
3. The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness.
4. He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.
5. They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.
6. He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers *that* water the earth.
7. In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.
8. He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.
9. They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the dust.
10. The kings of Tar'shish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of She'ba and Se'ba shall offer gifts.
11. Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.
12. For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and *him* that hath no helper.
13. He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.
14. He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in his sight.
15. And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of She'ba: prayer also shall be made for him continually; *and* daily shall he be praised.
16. There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Leb'a-non: and *they* of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.
17. His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun: and *men* shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.
18. Blessed *be* the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.
19. And blessed *be* his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled *with* his glory; Amen, and Amen.—PSALM 72: 1–19.

LESSON QUESTIONS.

1. Who is the King that all other kings will serve? *Christ, the Saviour of the world.*

2. How great is his kingdom? *As wide as the whole world.*

3. How long will it last? *It will never come to an end.*

4. What kind of a King will he be? *Kind and just.*

5. What will become of wars and all such things? *They will all pass away, and there will be peace everywhere.*

6. How can we belong to his kingdom? *Let him be King in our hearts.*

7. How can we help it to grow elsewhere? *Do all we can to get other people to give their hearts to him.*

"OH, what can little hearts do
To please the King of heaven?
Our hearts, if God his Spirit send,
Can love and trust their Saviour, Friend.
Such grace to mine be given."

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